

Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee
State of Louisiana

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CHRIS GUILBEAUX
CHAIRMAN

MEETING MINUTES

July 25, 2018

The Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee (SIEC) met on Wednesday, July 25, 2018, at the Department of Public Safety Services, Office of Management and Finance Building, Third Floor South Central Training Room, located at 7979 Independence Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70806.

I. Call to Order

- A. Chairman Chris Guilbeaux called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

II. Roll Call

- A. The SIEC roll call was conducted by GOHSEP Interoperability Program Manager, Ami Clouatre Johnson, and a quorum was established.

- B. The following SIEC members were present or absent as noted:

Committee Members Present	Representing Agency
Chris Guilbeaux	Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP)
David Dousay, designee for Neal Underwood	Division of Administration (DOA)
Stephen Durel (LTC), standing designee during deployment of Alan Dunn (MAJ)	Louisiana National Guard
Brian Zeringue	Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police
Robert Benoit	Louisiana Fire Chiefs Association
Cade McLemore, designee for Dick Gremillion	Regional Parish Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness Directors Committee
Layne Barnum	Dept. of Public Safety & Corrections, Public Safety Services, Louisiana State Police
Bill Vincent	Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO)
Adam Brickeen, designee for Jeb Tate	Region 1

Committee Members Present	Representing Agency
David Luker, designee for Billie Giroir	Region 2
Conrad Baker	Region 3
Richard McGuire	Region 5
Doyle Dempsey	Region 7
Sean Christian	Region 8
Michael (Mike) Moore	Region 9

Committee Members Absent	Representing Agency
Ricky Edwards	Louisiana Sheriffs Association
Stacey Blanchard	Region 4
Sonya Wiley-Gremillion	Region 6
Seth Breaux	Louisiana Ambulance Alliance
Vacant	Governor's Office of Indian Affairs

III. Approval of Minutes



Richard McGuire made a motion to approve the April 25, 2018 meeting minutes as presented. Chief Bryan Zeringue seconded the motion. The SIEC voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2018 meeting.

IV. Chairman's Report

A. Introduction of new SIEC Representatives and Broadband Advisory Committee Chairperson.

Chairman Chris Guilbeaux introduced LTC Layne Barnum, DPS/LSP Representative and Broadband Advisory Committee Chairperson.

B. Interoperability Activities

Chairman Chris Guilbeaux provided the following report on the LWIN Interoperability talkgroup requests for the previous quarter:

Since the last meeting, 53 LWIN interoperability talk groups have been assigned for events such as:

1. National Sheriff's Association Conference
2. LSP Multiagency Taskforce
3. Tickfaw 200 Multiagency Operations
4. Special Olympics Torch Run
5. Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival
6. Dream Day Foundation Fishing Galore
7. LA-TX Brotherhood Bike Ride
8. Wildlife and Fisheries Multiagency Taskforce

V. Statewide System Maintenance

Vernon McFadden with Louisiana State Police Radio Communications provided the LWIN System Maintenance Report. A copy of the presentation can be found on the SIEC website.

VI. Advisory Committee Reports

A. Budget and Finance

Christina Dayries provided a report on behalf of Chairman Ricky Edwards:

1. The Governor signed the FY18-19 budget bill and all LWIN funding is appropriated as listed below.
 - a. LWIN Overall Budget Amount: \$13,171,858
 - b. GOHSEP's Budget: \$4,711,998
 - i. The final phase of the software/hard upgrade for LWIN is currently recommended in addition to our other one time requests:
 - ii. \$4.7 million - LWIN
 - i. \$3,175,412 - STR repeater replacement to GTR repeaters (137 remaining)
 - ii. \$905,488 - (4) Mobile Trailers 6 channel to 9 channel repeaters
 - iii. \$631,098 - (100) WAVE mobile communicator + (50) talkgroup licenses + (1) server
 - c. LSP's Budget: \$8,459,860
Did not approve the funding increases from State Police for the increase in maintenance costs (i.e. Motorola contract, utilities and salaries). State Police's budget remains at \$8,459,860 for maintenance cost for LWIN. Typically funds one (1) new repeater package per year.
2. We will keep you posted of any significant developments.

B. Technical

David Luker stated that the Technical Advisory Committee did not have a meeting during the quarter and had no Committee report.

1. Chairman Guilbeaux introduced for discussion a request he received from the reestablished New Iberia Police Department to solve severe on-street coverage and safety issues and asked for the SIEC's input on temporary solutions to solve their urgent coverage issue.
 - a. During discussion by SIEC representatives the following items were noted:
 - i. Julio Peck, LSP Radio, stated his department is working with New Iberia Police Department and validated the coverage issues. His staff is also addressing including radio frequency tuning and use of existing 100-foot tower as a potential temporary site until a permanent site can be established.

- ii. David Luker stated that East Baton Rouge Sheriff's office will be donating some mobile radios to the department.
- iii. New Iberia Police Department has minimal funding to provide for a temporary or long term site in addition to providing a building to house the site equipment.
- iv. Julio Peck confirmed that an engineering and coverage map study is currently underway to confirm the temporary site was a viable solution.
- v. Bill Vincent requested the Technical Advisory Committee evaluate a long-term solution near the area just northwest of New Iberia, where Iberia, St. Martin, and Lafayette parishes meet (Cade area).

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- b. Bryan Zeringue made a motion to approve the recommendation of a temporary site at New Iberia Police Department as a priority due to public safety issues. The motion was presented with the following conditions: use of existing refurbished repeaters and equipment, cost sharing by the state and New Iberia Police Department, and the coverage study concludes this will serve as adequate temporary coverage solution to the on-street public safety issues. The motion was seconded by Robert Benoit. The SIEC voted unanimously to approve the motion.

2. Chairman Guilbeaux advised the Technical Advisory Subcommittee of an issue in Morehouse Parish and requested they follow up.

C. Policy and Planning

1. Chairman Bill Vincent made a presentation to the SIEC on two items referred to committee at last meeting. The presentation is available on the SIEC website.

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Chief Bryan Zeringue made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Policy and Planning Advisory committee to add an Appendix E to existing SIEC Policy No. 002, addressing eligibility requirements for LWIN access. The motion was seconded by Richard McGuire. The SIEC voted unanimously to approve the motion.

2. Ami Clouatre Johnson stated there were copies of the 2018 SCIP snapshot provided for review in each representative's packet.

D. Broadband

Chairman LTC Layne Barnum provided the following report:

1. The committee did not hold a meeting this quarter.
2. FirstNet Louisiana Build Out Updates:
 - a. 4,763 agency subscribers to the FirstNet Network.
 - b. 106 separate agencies subscribing to the FirstNet Network

- c. 211 individual “bring your own device” subscribing to the FirstNet Network
 - d. 27 new FirstNet/ATT cell sites added since the Governor’s Opt In
 - e. Sites activated since last SIEC Meeting:
 - Judge Perez Drive site, Chalmette (4/27/2018)
GOHSEP Region 1, St. Bernard Parish
 - f. Sites forecasted within the next 30 days:
 - Chestnut site, Saline
GOHSEP Region 6, Natchitoches Parish
 - Ashland site, Ashland
GOHSEP Region 6, Natchitoches Parish
3. FirstNet has announced there is a new nationwide lowered NASPO (State Contract) pricing. Changes were made to the monthly Smartphone phone and hotspot plans; however, the data-only device plans remain at the original price of \$37.99 per month.

Smartphone Pricing Changes:

- Unlimited (Talk, Text, and Data) is \$39.99/ mo., was \$47.99.
 - Unlimited Enhanced (Talk, Text, Data, and Hotspot / Tethering) is \$44.99/ mo., was \$57.99
4. Several members of GOHSEP and Louisiana State Police met with AT&T / FirstNet on July 9, 2018 to discuss FirstNet planning.
- a. AT&T / FirstNet and National Response team members provided a brief on how they would be available to the State EOC during disasters or emergencies.
 - b. GOHSEP and LSP reminded members that requests for assistance will continue to follow the established ESF-2 processes.
 - c. Participants determined that follow up stakeholder meetings would be scheduled in the near future to allow AT&T / FirstNet to gain insight on the first responders needs, as it relates to current and future broadband technology uses.
5. Layne Barnum reminded everyone that the Louisiana FirstNet team continues to issue newsletters as needed, in addition to maintaining the website and twitter account. If anyone has questions regarding FirstNet, please contact your AT&T Sales Team or email firstnet@la.gov, or contact Christina at GOHSEP at 225.358.5599 or email at Christina.Dayries@la.gov.

VII. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business discussed.

VIII. New Business

- A. The following presentations were made and can be found on the SIEC website.
 1. NG911, Richard McGuire and Anthony Summers

2. Telecommunicators Emergency Response Team (TERT), Tyrell Morris

IX. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

Chairman Guilbeaux opened the floor for Public Comments, none were offered.

B. Communications Training and Exercise Information

Chairman Guilbeaux opened the floor for announcements or requests, none were offered.

C. Next Quarterly Meeting

Chairman Guilbeaux reminded everyone that the next quarterly meeting of the SIEC would be October 24, 2018 at 1:30 in the same location.

X. Adjournment

M Robert Benoit made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Bryan Zeringue. The SIEC voted unanimously to adjourn at 3:32 pm.